

## Range of Roles under Current Amherst Government Act

Professional Staff	Elected Representatives	Volunteers	Voters	Any Residents
Town Manager Town Departments School Departments Library Departments	5 Select Board members 240 Town Meeting members Town Moderator School Committee Library Trustees	Citizen Committees provide expertise/ capacity to support town departments and council	Elect 5 Select Board members Elect 24 Town Meeting members Elect Moderator Elect School Committee Elect Library Trustees  Bring proposals forward via petition, initiative, and citizen veto	Voice concerns/interests to Town Manager, Select Board, 24 Town Meeting representatives
Supported by: <i>Precinct Meetings</i> for Town Meeting members; <i>Warrant Review</i> for Town Meeting members				

## Range of Roles under Draft Charter

Professional Staff	Elected Representatives	Volunteers	Voters	Any Residents
Chief Administrative Officer or Chief of Staff* Town Departments School Departments Library Departments	Mayor 10 Council Precinct Reps 3 Council At-Large Reps School Committee Library Trustees	Citizen Committees provide expertise/ capacity to support town departments and council	Elect Mayor Elect 1 Precinct Councilor Elect 3 At-Large Councilors Elect School Committee Elect Library Trustees  Bring proposals forward via petition, initiative, & citizen veto  Hold elected representatives accountable through elections  If necessary, recall elected representatives	Get involved and informed through Precinct Meetings run by councilors  Get informed and voice concerns/issues at annual public forums on budget, master plan, schools.  Voice concerns/interests to councilors and mayor  Participate in Participatory Budgeting and Participatory Planning
Supported by: <i>Precinct Meetings*</i> with council reps; <i>Civic Engagement Officer</i> to communicate, educate, and recruit diverse resident participants; <i>Annual Public Forums</i> on budget, master plan, and schools; <i>Participatory Budgeting</i> and <i>Participatory Planning</i> processes; <i>Public Campaign Supports*</i> to raise awareness, reduce campaign costs, and publicize donors				

\*under consideration; not definite